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## <u>Claims</u>

What is claimed is:

1. A method for managing a file system comprising:

providing transaction program means arranged for a cooperation with said file system, said transaction program means implementing transactional functionality to changes of said file system.

- 2. The method according to claim 1 in which said transaction program means implements a commit and/or rollback facility.
- 3. The method according to claim 1 in which said transaction program means is arranged for communicating with said file system via a protocol directed to cover changes made to said file system.
- 4. The method according to claim 3 in which said protocol is XDSM or is derivable from XDSM, or comprises XDSM-equivalent functions.

- 5. A method for managing a file system comprising using transaction program means according to claim 4 implemented for a cooperation with said file system.
- 6. A computer system being able to access a file system which is manageable by transaction program means according to a method of claim 4.
  - 7. A computer program for execution in a data processing system comprising computer program code portions for performing the steps of the method of claim 4.
  - 8. A computer program product stored on a computer usable medium comprising computer readable program means for causing a computer to perform the method of claim 4.
  - 9. The method according to claim 1 in which said transaction program means is implemented as a stacked file system.
  - 10. The method according to claim 1 in which said transaction program means is implemented in the file system itself.
- 11. The method according to claim 1 in which said transaction program means processes commands issued by transaction manager means arranged for cooperating with a database management system.

12. A method for managing a file system comprising using transaction program means according to claim 1 implemented for a cooperation with said file system.

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13. A computer system being able to access a file system which is manageable by transaction program means according to a method of managing a file system comprising:

providing transaction program means arranged for a cooperation with said file system, said transaction program means implementing transactional functionality to changes of said file system.

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14. A computer program for execution in a data processing system comprising computer program code portions for performing the steps of providing transaction program means arranged for a cooperation with said file system, said transaction program means implementing transactional functionality to changes of said file system.

A computer program product stored on a computer usable medium comprising computer readable program means for causing a computer to perform the method of managing a file system comprising:

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providing transaction program means arranged for a cooperation with said file system, said transaction program means implementing transactional functionality to changes of said file system.

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